

## **Southeast PTO Minutes**

**February 10<sup>th</sup> , 2014**

**Members in Attendance:** Cyndi Wells, Erin Christopher, Britney Lima, Amy Dunstan, Lauren Rodriguez, Monique Brown, Jennifer Mott, Jon Sgro, Lena Rossi, Dennis Thibeault, Noreen Halbrooks, Esther Soffer Roberts, Jennifer Blanchard, Jessica Higham, Veronica Barcelona

### **Discussion about upcoming PTO events:**

- **2/21/14 (Friday): Family Game Night**-this will be held at Southeast School in the gym from 6:30-7:30. Bring a game and have fun with other SE families!
- **February/March: Munson's Fundraiser**- they will need our order in for March 10<sup>th</sup>.
- **3/1/14 (Saturday): Family Skate at UCONN**- Free event open to SE School Community-skate rentals are an extra charge. Please bring a donated can good. Please wear a helmet.
- **3/3/14 (Monday): PTO meeting** 7-8:30 p.m.
- **March-Healthy Snacks:** sponsored by the PTO and provided throughout the month of March .
- **3/20/14 (Thursday)-Parent Basketball Game:** Friendly competition between SE, Goodwin, and Vinton schools. Held at EO Smith Gym in the evening. Come show your school spirit by cheerleading or better yet signing up to play! Tickets will be 10.00 per family. Please let the PTO know if you'd like to help out with this event or if you'd like to play!!!
- **4/5/14 (Saturday) Dolly and Me Tea (any doll!):** Reserve for a 12:30 p.m. or 2:30 p.m. sitting. There will be vendors selling clothing for an 18" doll, a raffle, crafts, doll hairdos, a photo booth and a historic storyteller dressed as

- Prudence Crandall. There will be finger foods/tea/lemonade. Open to the Mansfield community- please let your friends know! Tickets \$8.00 per person.
- **4/7/14 (Monday): PTO Meeting 7-8:30 pm**

### **Officer Reports:**

#### **Co-Presidents Report (Cyndi Wells and Erin Christopher):**

See above discussion.

#### **Secretary's Report (Britney Lima):**

Minutes from February presented. Jessica Higham made a motion to accept the minutes. Jennifer Mott seconded it.

**Treasurer's Report (Amy Dunstan):** Handouts provided. We have a remaining 228.91 in the teacher's room fund. \$2200.00 was raised for the family benefit fundraiser. Cyndi Wells made a motion to accept the treasures report. Lena Rossi seconded it.

### **Principals Report:**

A draft for the vision statement was given out to staff and community. If you would like to give any feedback please contact Mrs. Rodriguez. An enrichment person, Miss Math, has been hired for two weeks to work with grades 1-4. She will be doing lots of hands on activities. She will also be running two evening events (one for k-2 and the other 3-4) on April 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>.

There is a request for 700.00 from the PTO to help fund this.

There was discussion surrounding the smarter balance assessment taking place of the CMT's. Thursday night at the board budget meeting there will be presenters from the Junior Great Book Program.

### **Auction Planning, Staff Lounge Update, and Art Show Planning**

- We have started planning the auction for the fall.

- We are still planning on having an art show and we are talking with Mrs. Anger about that. There is a committee. It will probably take place in May.
- The PTO took a field trip to see the new staff lounge. It looks great! Thanks to all who were involved with helping with this!
- The staff would like to buy a Keurig and some prints for the walls. There is still 228.91 left in this fund.

#### **Other**

- Indoor recess (art) supplies needed: Please donate if you can!
- Ruth Sangree and Chuck Warinsky are requesting money for an enrichment activity (led by Louanne Cooley). They are requesting \$80.00 for supplies and \$70.00 for sub-pay. Discussion surrounding the possibility of asking the fourth grade students to bring in \$2.00 each to fund this activity.
- Kindergarten is also asking for an additional 300.00 to help fund young authors day.
- We are going to increase the babysitting stipend from \$10.00 to \$15.00 per hour during PTO meetings.
- The PTO will do a direct donation campaign in hopes of raising the \$5000.00 shortfall in our budget. If we do not raise enough to cover expenses this year, we will use the money in the savings.

Please email [southeastschoolpto@gmail.com](mailto:southeastschoolpto@gmail.com) if you would like an item added to the agenda.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

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